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## **Governor Daniels Names New Sexual Assault Standards & Certification Board**

The Indiana Commission for Women recently accepted new responsibilities as it assumed sponsorship of the new Sexual Assault Standards & Certification Board. The 2006 General Assembly passed legislation establishing the Board with the duties of developing standards for certification for advocates for victims of sexual assault. The Board will also administer the Sexual Assault Victims Assistance Account and the voluntary certification program.

The legislation carefully outlined the criteria for the naming of board members, requiring expertise in specific fields such as law enforcement, counseling and advocacy and medical, including forensic nursing and pediatric experience. Governor Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr. has named the following members to the Sexual Assault Standards & Certification Board:

**Board Chair:**

Sharon Langlotz, Executive Director, Indiana Commission for Women, Indianapolis

**Members:**

Detective Lt. Rick Wilson, Crawfordsville Police Department, Crawfordsville  
Pamella Jahnke, RN, CEN, SANE-A, Center of Hope Community Health Network, Indianapolis  
Suzanne O'Malley, Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council, Indianapolis  
Toby Strout, Executive Director, Middle Way House, Bloomington  
Anita Carpenter, Executive Director, Indiana Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Crawfordsville  
Holly Renz, RN, SANE-A, Anderson  
Mike Cunegin, Executive Director, Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, Indianapolis  
Barbara Quandt, Director of Public Affairs, QEPI, Indianapolis  
Dr. Antoinette Laskey, IU School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics, Indianapolis  
Jeanne Harber Porter, MSW, LCSW, ACSW, Consulting & Counseling Associates, Ft. Wayne

Professionals and volunteers in rape crisis centers, hospitals, and in law enforcement throughout Indiana are providing critical services to the victims of sexual assault. The establishment of this Board lays the foundation for enhancing the training, expertise and professionalism of those victim advocates in all areas of response.

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